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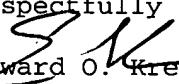
In re the Application of: )  
Palani Balu ) Examiner: TBD  
Serial No.: 10/737,245 ) Art Unit: 1651  
Filed: 12/15/2003 )  
For: NOVEL PREPIDE DIMERS AS AGONISTS )  
OF THE ERYTHROPOIETIN (EPO) )  
RECEPTOR, AND ASSOCIATED METHODS )  
OF SYNTHESIS AND USE )

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir/Madam:

Please amend the specification as specified on the following page:

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